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Revival of Artistic Spirit Among Laymen in St. Louis Is Remarkable This Lenten Season-Things Japanese Come In for a Large Share of Attention-Gossip, Notes and Happenings in Society.

The big ecciety event of this week is hung with paper, manila or penges cell the ball of the Union Club, Thursday narrow gitt molding, and the celling was evening. Masch 30, There was a time when Union Club affairs were just Union Club affairs, and outsiders—the people from other than the Compton Heights districts -naid little attention to them. Nowadays the West Enders and the North Enders look for Union Club invitations, just like a small girls looks for bonbons.

The demand for invitations to the coming affair is almost too great to be supplied, for, be it known, there is a limit to Union Club invitations, because a member is only permitted to invite one out-sider. Under existing circumstances, that

The last big affair of the Union Club, the one at which all the World's Fair oners and diplomats were the guests of honor, was a perfect crush, and I am told its brilliancy led to a heavy increase of applicants for membership in the club. The coming ball premises to be as great a success. from both an artistic and a material standpoint.

Speaking of things artistic, reminds me that there is a revival in St. Louis of the article spirit among the laymen, and all norts of art affairs are the rage. This revival is taking the shape of admiration for home art, the paintings and the sculpture of St. Louis artists, Last week at the Strauss Growlery a meeting was held by artistic folks among the laymen of St. Louis to form a "home art society.

The purpose of this society is to foster home production and to assist home artists, and one of the Intentions is to raise a fund to purchase paintings and other productions of St. Louis limners and

This commendable spirit among those who are only art admirers and not producers should be fostered because it must be confessed that the wealthy ones of St. Louis have not shown the proper appreciation of the talented people they have in St. Louis. When the average St. Louisan wants a picture or pictures for the adornment of his or her house, he or she goes abroad, or at least to New York,

I was told an armusing story of a wellknown St. Louis woman who knows good pictures, but who had never thought of good pictures in connection with St. Louis. Recently she returned from abroad and brought with her a gem of a picture. She tovited her intimates to inspect it, and all admired it greatly and heard her comment disparagingly on the fact that St. Louis had produced no pictures which were sufficiently good for a drawing-

Suddenly one of the guests recognized the name signed to the picture as that of a St. Louis artist who achieved fame in Paris and other art centers of Burope,

And speaking of artistic things also reminds me of the fad for things Japanese that has grown up in St. Louis since the Japanese folk gave us samples of their artistic skill as decorators at the Fair. The has taken the form of Japanese rooms and beautiful effects are created with a very simple treatment of Japanese hangings, rugs, tabourets, screens, etc.

The other day in calling upon a young woman I found such an attractive room. which was the eche of the Japanese, that I feel that I must yield to the temptation to tell you about it.

with one large window. The woodwork butchers' linea adorned with lace. At

narrow gilt molding, and the ceiling was white mora. The floor was covered with plain matting, on which were several rugs of pretty, soft colors. A couch and several chairs were of wicker, with cushions of flowered creton. The curtains were swise hung straight, and over these were another pair, of pongee silk. In the center of the room was a large wicker table, covered with magazines; at the window was a small wicker table, on which stood a Japanese jardiniere, in which were Japanese lilies. Near the window stood t writing table, covered with a large ecru blotter. The candlesticks, ink well and deck ornaments were brass. The room was harmonious, and, above all, so very

Every day brings many St. Louis persons home. They have been wintering in the South or in California. They talk about St. Louis being dull, and pine to get away again. They are counting the days until the summer cottages and the lake resorts will be opened, and are wondering if they will get away for the summer. Only yesterday I overheard this bit of interesting

"No. I have not ben away this winter." said a pretty matron of the West End. "and I am not sure I will go away for

"You poor dear," said her friend, who had just returned from Florida, and who was telling her all the gossip of the Southern resort. They were on the street car. and I pricked up my ears. I wanted to hear what they said-one hears so many interesting things on the cars and in publie places.

"Oh, do not pity me," laughed the pretty blond woman. "I am sure I do not need it, for I have had a lovely time, and I am in the best of health. You see, I just stayed at home this winter and rested. I have such perfect health that I can enjoy my home, and I am so thankful.

"I think women who go to winter and summer resorts just for enjoyment are brutally selfish. Their husbands strive to make a home and give every comfort, and then the wives are not content to live in it, but must close it, send their husbands back to the club or to hotel life, while they go around striving to find comfort in a stuffy hotel, and then come home all worn out from being uncomfortable and from chasing pleasure. They are as cross as bears because the house smells musty, and grieved because the house plants have died, and angry because they cannot afford a new curpet.

"None of that for me. I stay at home and rest and entertain as much as I feel that I can without overtaxing my strength, and then when my husband is ready to take his vacation, I go with him. He looks after all the details of the trip and all I have to do is to enjoy myself and be agreeable."

I don't want to get preachy or scold, but I do think that the little blond woman was right. Has she a happy home? he is a prince in his home, royal in hospitality, devoted to his pretty wife and proud of his beautiful home. He takes pleasure in inviting his friends out for dinner or the evening.

The latest thing in tablecloths is dainty was all enameled white. The walls were one of the Lenten luncheons given in



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Mexday the tablecloth was incrusted with Venetian guipure. The centerplece was a large glass bowl filled with violets, and favors of the same flower were placed at each guest's plate.

SOCIAL EVENTS.

Mrs. Alexander Landau gave a large whist party Monday afternoon at Pechman's, in honor of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Louis Landau. The ladies played until 4:30, when a function of several courses was served. The decorations were in pink. Beautiful prizes were awarded the win-

To Will Hull Jr. was given a surprise party at his home, No. 238 Lawton avenue, on Saturday evening, in honor of his twent; first birthday. A handsome gold watch was presented him by the members of the H. B. S. Club, of which he is the president, Mr. Altheimer making the presentation in a neat speech. The guests The features were Miss Adair's rendition of the Fifth and Sixth Nocturns and the vocal selection of S. Meiton Grant, the phenominal baritore. A Dutch supper was served at midnight, Among those present were: were entertained with music and dancing.

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party last Saturday evening in honor of beir niece. Miss May Cowdy, who is vis-

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Ella Mahoney,
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Louis Shenka,
Joan Smith,
Tom Allen,
Robert Holly,
James Warti,
Carence Robbin
Pet Baley,
Walter Gleason,
Henry Cruest,

One of the most enjoyable events this week was a farewell party given Thursday evening by William J. H. Anschuetz in honor of the H. S. V. C. A. and several friends. A supper was served, which all enjoyed heartily. The table was decorated beautifully with flowers and colors of the alumni. To make the evening enlovable several solos were rendered by Messrs. Professor H. Anschuetz, L. C. Miller, C. Ginser and H. Stein,
Mr. William Anschuetz will leave in a few days for the Pacific coast, where he intends to engage in business. Those present were:

feature of the evening. Several games were played and prizes were awarded to Miss Ella Hawkins, Theo. Shenks' and Louis Shenks.

A guartet, composed of Messya Higgins, More than 100 books were received, and all the chapters in St. Louis were well

Eleanor, last Thursday evening. Many friends of the family were present and assisted in entertaining the little guests, over 100 in number.

The house was turned over to the children and they played games and remped all over the house from the garret to the cellar. Dinner was served at 10 o'clock and then there were more games and romping until nearly midnight.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Thomas of No. 217A Ends avenue gave a delightful party Tuesday in honor of the birthday of their little daughter, Louise. Among those present were: restrant and Me

liam Goldman Saturday evening, Merch 18, at his residence, No. 436 Cote Brilliante, by Messrs. L. E. Phalan and H. T. music and dancine. Those present were:

Grace Kelley, Tena Denovan, Myra Heman,

erus. R. F. Muchling of No. 1639 Texas! A surprise lines shower was return gave a birthday reception in honor to Miss Anna Hirsch at her be

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